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Dockets Management Branch Food & Drug Administration Department of Health & Human Services 12420 Parklawn Drive, Room 1-23 Rockville, MD 20857

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Dear Sir or Madam,

This letter is to urge you to make a decision to ban forced molting, as requested by United Poultry Concerns. Forced molting is cruel to the animals and it increases the spread of Salmonella Enteritidis infection, resulting in a human health hazard.

I urge you to grant the petition, filed under docket #98P-0203/CP.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter and please let me know of your decision on this issue.

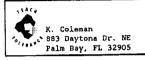
Sincerely.

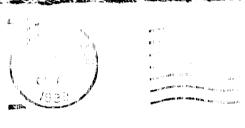
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